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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS
FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING FOR
NOVEMBR 7, 1975:

Q. HAS THERE BEEN ANY RESPONSE FROM ANY SIDE TO THE
SECRETARY'S PROPOSAL FOR AN INFORMAL MEETING ON THE
MIDDLE EAST?

A. I AM UNAWARE OF ANY FORMAL RESPONSE FROM ANYONE ON
THIS, BUT LET ME LOOK INTO IT AND SEE WHAT I -- .

Q. I WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT IF THAT IS STILL A LIVE
PROPOSAL.

A. WELL, IT STILL -- AS FAR AS WE ARE CONCERNED IT IS
STILL VERY MUCH OF A LIVE PROPOSAL. IN FACT, JOE SISCO,
IN HIS PRESS CONFERENCE OVER AT THE WHITE HOUSE FOLLOWING
PRESIDENT SADAT'S LAST MEETING WITH OUR PRESIDENT,
ADDRESSED HIMSELF TO THAT QUESTION. HE REITERATED THAT
THIS WAS ONE OF THE POSSIBLE AVENUES THAT WE ARE PREPARED

TO CONSIDER IN TRYING TO KEEP THE MOMENTUM TOWARDS
PEACE MOVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST. SO THAT WAS
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REITERATED, WHAT, 48 HOURS AGO.

Q. IS THERE AN ASSAD - FORD MEETING?

A. SISCO ADDRESSED HIMSELF TO THAT TWO DAYS AGO, AND
NESSEN, TOO. I DO NOT BELIEVE THERE ARE ANY PLANS FOR
SUCH A MEETING.

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